

## **HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES**

The Menomonie Historic Preservation Commission held its March, 2015, meeting on March 9, 2015, at 5:00 p.m. at City Hall. Members present: Tom Twohig, Ryland Erdman, Josh Risler, Peggy Terry, Linda Chase and Monte Burstad. Also present: Brenna Long and Ken Schofield.

The February 9, 2015, minutes of the Historic Preservation Commission meeting were approved.

There was one Certificate of Appropriateness/Sign Approval application presented for consideration.

The application was from Peter Gruetzmacher on behalf of the Silver Dollar at 315 and 321 Main Street East. After a lengthy discussion, the Commission approved the Certificate of Appropriateness with respect to the front of the 315 building, application paragraphs 1) b. and 1) c. only; and with respect to the rear of the building (Crescent Street side) the Commission approved the application at 1) d. only. The remaining portions of the application dealing with building colors, the awnings for 315 and 321 Main Street East and signage for all awnings for 315 and 321 Main Street East will be held open for future discussion at a future meeting.

Ms. Long provided and will be providing further information to the Commission regarding the application of Menomonie's Main Street Program to become a part of the Wisconsin Economic Development Commission's State Main Street Program. The Commission authorized the preparation and delivery of a letter of support for Main Street's application. A copy of that correspondence is attached hereto.

The Commission discussed the bronze plaque program. The Commission members felt that the plaques should be rectangular and include the name of the original building and year constructed. The Commission members also felt that the option to have a plaque should be opened up to property owners outside of the Downtown Historic District (i.e. Raw Deal, the Marion). However, it was agreed that the Commission would only assist with funding plaques for those within the Downtown Historic District. There was some discussion about including a number to correspond with the Historic Walking Tour, but that was discouraged. Final decisions on the bronze plaque program will be made a future meeting.

The next Historic Preservation Commission meeting shall be held on April 13, 2015, at City Hall at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth E. Schofield  
Recording Secretary